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BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examining the above identified patent application, please make the amendments outlined below.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1 – 34.

Please add new claims 35-40 as outlined below.

35. A method for inducing the in vivo production of neurotropic growth factors in a mammal, said method comprising the step of treating a mammal with an effective amount of at least one carbon monoxide dependent guanylyl cyclase modulating purine derivative.

36. The method of claim 35 wherein said carbon monoxide dependent guanylyl cyclase modulating purine derivative is selected from the group consisting of guanosine, 4- [[3-(1,6-dihydro-6-oxo-9H-purin-9-yl)-1-oxo-propyl]amino]benzoic acid, and inosine pranobex.